

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Thursday, April 26, 2012

7:00 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Thursday, April 26, 2012 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Lehr, Kissling, Blackgrove, McPherron and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2012 meeting.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the claims as presented.

The Mayor informed the Council of the Safe Route to School Program which the City has been working on with Southwest Dubois County School Corporation officials. The program would seek safe ways for the students to get to school by walking or biking routes. The school corporation would be the lead agency on the project and the funding would be from the federal government administered through the Indiana Department of Transportation. He noted that public input will be solicited at the next Common Council meeting on May 10, 2012 and at the May 14, 2012 School Board meeting and that Commonwealth Engineers is helping to put this planning grant application together.

Utilities Superintendent Traylor presented his monthly report. Traylor requested permission to purchase a hydraulic power operator (Mueller H-704) for the D-5 Mueller piping machine for the low quoted price \$6,395.00 from Groebner. He noted that the accessory would reduce the time involved to join gas pipe.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to approve the purchase of a Mueller H-704 hydraulic power operator from Groebner for the low quoted price of \$6,395.00.

Traylor presented a proposed revised natural gas engineering service retainer agreement between the City and USDI. The proposed rates would be \$175.00 per month or \$2,100.00 annually beginning May 1, 2012.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the revised natural gas engineering service retainer agreement between the City and USDI as noted above.

Traylor presented a letter from Ron Ragan of Utility Gas Management concerning the usage of the City's gas storage field.

Traylor inform the Board that he has hired Kevin Head as the new Water Service Technician.

Traylor informed the Board of the repairs to the fountain on Market Street that will be done. He estimated the repairs to be approximately \$1,100.00.

A letter was presented from the Dubois County Department of Health showing their support for fluoridation of the City's water supply.

Water Operator, Gregg Miller was present and commented that it bothers him to put fluoride in the City's water supply but that he would put it in at a safe level.

Traylor explained the difference between Sodium Fluoride, which is what the City uses at the Water Treatment plant, and Calcium Fluoride, which is a natural product.

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Summers to discontinue the use of fluoride in the City's water supply. The motion did not carry (McPherron and Summers-Aye; Kissling, Blackgrove and Lehr- Nay).

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed ordinance for an additional appropriation for the 2012 budget year for the General fund, Police Department, in the amount of \$40,000. The additional appropriation would be to cover the additional expenditures associated with the retirement and replacement of police officers.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to introduce and number Ordinance No. 2012-16 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR
THE 2012 BUDGET YEAR**

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by McPherron and carried to set a public hearing on the above \$40,000 additional appropriation for May 24, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Huntingburg City Hall.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed Resolution to allow the moving of appropriation monies between accounts within major budget classification of the various departments of the City of Huntingburg and a proposed ordinance to transfer appropriation monies from major budget classification to another within the various departments and funds of the City of Huntingburg. Dippel noted that neither of these actions would allow spending in excess of the total budget for the funds.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Lehr and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2012-17 entitled:

**A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER MONIES BETWEEN ACCOUNTS
WITHIN MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATIONS OF THE VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA**

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2012-18 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER MONIES FROM ONE MAJOR
BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER WITHIN THE VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG**

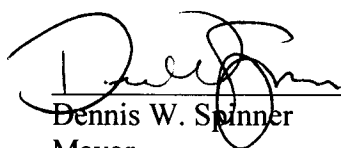
A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Kissling and carried to suspend the rules with unanimous consent and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2012-18 on the same date and meeting at which it was introduced.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2012-18.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2012-18 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 Nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2012-18 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:44 P.M.

The Mayor informed the Council that a photo of the first eaglets born at Huntingburg City Lake taken by Sam Voelkel will be on display at City Hall.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 o'clock P.M.


Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor


Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer